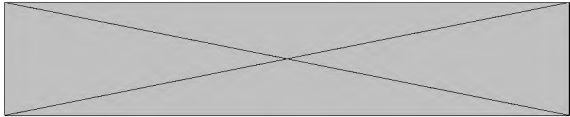


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Dear Leila,

"U.S Breaks 47-Year-Old Monthly Oil Production Record"

"U.S Natural Gas Production, Exports Set Records"

Headline after headline makes clear that the U.S. energy resurgence is going strong – generating economic growth and enhancing U.S. security while delivering reliable, affordable energy to American homes and businesses.

Expanding energy infrastructure to keep pace with production will accomplish two important priorities: It will help ensure we realize the full scope of benefits made possible by our position as the world's leading producer and refiner of natural gas and oil. And it will help create jobs. A recent ICF study found that private sector investment in energy infrastructure could reach \$1.34 trillion –supporting more than 1 million jobs each year on average through 2035.

Hundreds of thousands of miles of oil and natural gas pipelines crisscross the United States, delivering oil and natural gas at a safety rate of 99.99 percent. That's a stellar safety record made possible by a combination of strict industry standards, government regulations, and cutting-edge inspection technology.

But we're always working to make pipelines even safer. That commitment is the basis for a new safety training initiative we launched this week with North America's Building Trades Unions (NABTU), which represents the construction sector. The landmark training program related to pipeline construction safety we've developed is an important milestone toward our shared goal of zero incidents. It also helps to expand economic opportunities for workers, opening the door for the construction sector's skilled and committed workforce to contribute in building the energy infrastructure we need to meet ever-growing demand.

"Our unions represent the safest, most talented, and highly trained skilled craft professionals the world has ever seen. NABTU members from coast to coast are committed to safely and effectively building the energy infrastructure this country needs – and this collaboration with API reinforces that objective," said NABTU President Sean McGarvey. "We welcome the opportunity to work with the oil and natural gas industry to help our members be better equipped with the necessary skills to not just attain a job, but to find a successful career in construction. We have long been focused on creating opportunities to strengthen and expand America's middle class – this effort will lead to growth in America's economy and energy security alike."

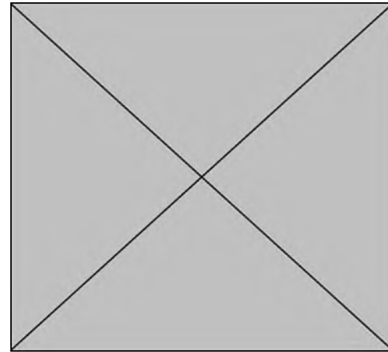
Expanding middle class job opportunities, and enhancing America's economy and energy security – that's what energy infrastructure investment is all about. As the Trump administration and Congress take needed steps to streamline the infrastructure permitting process, the energy and building industries are working together to supply the workers, opportunities and technology we need to keep U.S. energy leadership going strong.

Sincerely,

Jack N. Gerard
President & CEO
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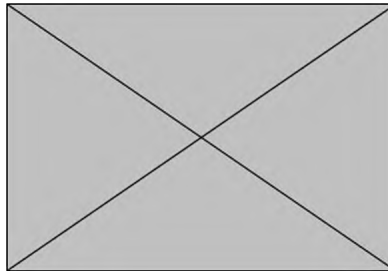
When Agenda Politics Leaves Some Out in the Cold

The weather may finally be warming up, but some New Yorkers aren't giving up in their efforts to get the pipelines they need to stay warm next winter. [Learn more about how NYC Housing Authority tenants are working to get the infrastructure they deserve](#), and about the misguided political agendas standing in their way.



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